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Dear Josh :

The rumor reached me recently that you are going to attend some kind of Symposium in England in the spring. We should like naturally to get both you and Esther over to Paris on this occasion. Could you let me know what your plans and schedule for this trip are at present. I shall then try to work out something in conjunction with Monod.

I enjoyed the visit of your student (wright ?) and will be glad to learn how his work on the petites is developing and how he winds it up.

I have not been very active in yeast research for some time chiefly on account of all sorts of other duties. At present Milkman (a former student of mine at Harvard) has joined me in this work. Roman is with us again for a year, and is doing some yeast work too. I hope that all three together we shall make some progress in the very complex problem of suppressiveness. However, my own main effort at present is on Brien's stoloning Hydra. It's great fun to work with a new organism, even one that is very slow in comparison with microbes. To begin with, I am testing the chimera-Dauermodification alternative. Present evidence favors rather the latter, but is by no means complete and definitive; so my statement is "off the record".

Hoping to hear from you soon, and with kind regards to both of you,

Sincerely,